Contract farming by MNCs

1806. SHRI TARINI KANTA ROY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of total farm land in India, State-wise;

(b) the quantum of land being used for contract farming, State-wise;

(c) whether Indian Corporate sector companies *vis-a-vis* multinational companies are in contract farming; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): The Ministry of Agriculture (Department of Agriculture and Cooperation) has reported as under–

(a) The State-wise total farm land (total cropped area) in India is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) The contract farming prevalent in different parts of the States are informal in nature and no specific data on land under contract farming is available. However, based on the information received from different States/Union Territories, the quantum of land being used for contract farming is also given in the Annexure.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The major agencies involved in contract farming in the country are: Hindustan Lever Ltd., WIMCO, Pepsi, Foodpro, National Dairy Development Board, Maxworth Orchards, Cadbury India, BILT, ITC, JK Paper, AV Thomas Natural Products Ltd., Reliance Agrotech Pvt. Ltd., Godrej Agro, United Breweries, DCM Sriram, Markfed Punjab, L&T, HAFED, Escorts, Sungrow, Mohan Breweries and Distilleries, etc.

Statement

State-wise total cropped area and area under Contract Farming in different States

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Total cropped area (2003-04) (in Thousand hectares)*	Area under contract farming (2007) (in hectares)**
1	2	3	4
1	Andhra Pradesh	12366	–
2	Arunachal Pradesh	263	–
3	Assam	3962	160
4	Bihar	7882	20
5	Chhattisgarh	5707	–

1	2	3	4
6	Goa	169	1924
7	Gujarat	11311	2000
8	Haryana	6388	1416
9	Himachal Pradesh	951	–
10	Jammu and Kashmir	1102	–
11	Jharkhand	2235	–
12	Karnataka	11450	–
13	Kerala	2954	–
14	Madhya Pradesh	19788	–
15	Maharashtra	22190	–
16	Manipur	217	–
17	Meghalaya	272	–
18	Mizoram	98	2447
19	Nagaland	370	–
20	Orissa	8637	59800
21	Punjab	7931	121457
22	Rajasthan	21664	–
23	Sikkim	121	–
24	Tamil Nadu	5316	236610
25	Tripura	333	–
26	Uttaranchal	1307	–
27	Uttar Pradesh	25785	–
28	West Bengal	9707	–
29	A and N Islands	45	–
30	Chandigarh	3	–
31	D and N Haveli	30	–
32	Daman and Diu	3	–
33	Delhi	44	–
34	Lakshadweep	3	–
35	Pondicherry	37	–
	ALL INDIA:	190641	425834

*Source: Agricultural Statistics 2006, Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture

** as reported by different States